



ADVOCACY AND LEGAL SERVICES

Government, private-for-profit and private, nonprofit agencies offering specialized individual advocacy services, legal advice and dispute resolution. Included are agencies that investigate civil rights discrimination complaints.

CITY & COUNTY OF HONOLULU

Disability and Communication Access Board (DCAB)

919 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 101
Honolulu, HI 96814
Phone: 586-8121 (V/TTY); 586-8129 (Fax)
E-mail: accesshi@aloha.net
Web site: www.hawaii.gov/health/dcab/

Acts as a systems advocate for persons with disabilities, statewide.

Department of Health State Council on Developmental Disabilities (DD Council)

919 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 113
Honolulu, HI 96814
Phone: 586-8100 (V); 586-7543 (Fax)
E-mail: hiddc@pixi.com
Web site: www.hawaii.edu/ddcouncil/

Acts as a systems advocate for persons with developmental disabilities, statewide.

Hawaii Civil Rights Commission (HCRC)

830 Punchbowl Street, Room 411
Honolulu, HI 96813
Phone: 586-8636 (V), 586-8692 (TTY)
586-8655 (Fax)
Web site: www.state.hi.us/hcrc

Enforces State laws regarding prohibition of discrimination practices based on an individual's sex, race, ancestry/national origin, religion, color, disability status, marital status, familial status, age, arrest and court record, National Guard participation or sexual orientation in employment, housing, public accommodations, and access to state and state-funded services. Complaints must be filed within 180 days from the alleged act of discrimination.

Judiciary Office of the Public Guardian

P.O. Box 2495
Honolulu, HI 96804
Phone: 548-0006 (V); 521-0757 (Fax)

Serves as permanent guardian of the person for mentally incapacitated individuals, if there is no willing or suitable person to serve as guardian. Also provides temporary guardianship for emergency situations, information and consultation on guardianship issues, and education and support to guardians and potential guardians.

**Department of Human Services
Child Welfare Services Branch
Child Welfare Intake**

420 Waiakamilo Road, Suite 300A
Honolulu, HI 96817
Phone: 832-5300 (V) (reporting line
for Oahu)

Investigates and protects children who are being abused or neglected, or in danger of being abused or neglected. Maintains confidential hotline to report suspected abuse or neglect.

**Department of Human Services
Adult Protective Services**

420 Waiakamilo Road, Suite 300A
Honolulu, HI 96817
Phone: 832-5115 (V) (hotline)

Provides investigation and protection for dependent adults 18 years and older and the frail elderly against abuse, neglect, self-neglect and financial exploitation. Assists people in finding services including care homes, adult day care and chore services.

**Department of Labor and
Industrial Relations
Disability Compensation Division**

830 Punchbowl Street, Room 211
Honolulu, HI 96813
Phone: 586-9151 (V); 586-9129 (Fax)

Adjudicates claims by workers injured on the job for medical, vocational rehabilitation, and indemnity benefits under the state workers compensation law.

**Department of Prosecuting Attorney
Victim/Witness Assistance Division**

1060 Richards Street, 9th Floor
Honolulu, HI 96813
Phone: 523-4158 (V), 527-6231 (TTY)
527-6443 (Fax)
E-mail: qga0003@co.honolulu.hi.us

Provides orientation to the criminal justice system, case information, crisis counseling and advocacy for victims/witnesses and surviving family members of violent crimes.

**U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity
Commission (EEOC)**

Honolulu Office
300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 7-127
P.O. Box 50082
Honolulu, HI 96850
Phone: 541-3120 (V), 541-3131 (TTY)
Neighbor Islands call collect
541-3390 (Fax)

Enforces federal laws prohibiting discrimination in employment practices on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, and age.

**U.S. Department of Labor
Office of Federal Contract
Compliance (OFCCP)**

300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 7-226
P.O. Box 50149
Honolulu, HI 96850
Phone: 541-2933 (V); 541-2904 (Fax)

Monitors and enforces federal laws prohibiting government contractors or subcontractors from employment discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability or Vietnam era veterans status.

**Affordable Lawyers
Legal Aid Society of Hawaii (LASH)**
924 Bethel Street
Honolulu, HI 96813
Phone: 527-8027 (V)

Provides low-cost legal services to individuals and families who earn too much money to qualify for free legal aid services but who still cannot afford to pay the standard fees charged by private attorneys. Serves people who are above 125%, but below 250% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

The Arc in Hawaii
3989 Diamond Head Road
Honolulu, HI 96816
Phone: 737-7995 (V); 732-9531 (Fax)
E-mail: info@thearcinhawaii.org
Web site: www.thearcinhawaii.org

Advocates for the rights of people with mental retardation. Local affiliate to the National Arc.

American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)
P.O. Box 3410
Honolulu, HI 96801
Phone: 522-5900 (V); 522-5909 (Fax)
E-mail: office@acluhawaii.org
Web site: www.acluhawaii.org

Takes cases where a person's civil liberties have been violated; constitutional rights (free speech, due process, separation of church and state, etc.) have been infringed upon.

Assisting with Appropriate Rights in Education (AWARE)
200 North Vineyard Boulevard, Room 310
Honolulu, HI 96817
Phone: 536-2280 (V/TTY); 537-6780 (Fax)
1(800) 533-9684 (V/TTY) (Toll free)

Provides training and information for parents of children with special needs. Conducts monthly support groups for parents throughout the state.

Child and Family Service
91-1841 Fort Weaver Road
Ewa Beach, HI 96706
Phone: 681-3500 (V); 681-5280 (Fax)
E-mail: cfs@cfs-hawaii.org
Web site: www.cfs-hawaii.org

Provides non-governmental social and human services and advocacy for children and families in need. Primary purpose is to strengthen families and foster healthy development of children.

Disabled Rights Legal Project
200 North Vineyard Boulevard, Room 310
Honolulu, HI 96817
Phone: 585-0920 (V); 585-0930 (Fax)

Provides legal assistance, to qualifying Hawaii residents to ensure that qualifying children with disabilities receive a free and appropriate public education.

Hawaii Disability Rights Center (HDRC)
900 Fort Street Mall, Suite 1040
Honolulu, HI 96813
Phone: 949-2922 (V/TTY); 949-2928 (Fax)
1(800) 882-1057 (V/TTY) (Toll free)
E-mail: pahi@pixi.com
Web site: www.pixi.com/~pahi

Promotes and advocates for human, civil and legal rights of persons with disabilities. Individual case advocates and attorneys assigned as needed.

**Hawaii State Bar Association
Lawyer Referral Service**
1132 Bishop Street, Suite 906
Honolulu, HI 96813
Phone: 537-9140 (V); 521-7936 (Fax)

Provides a free telephone referral service to assist the general public in selecting lawyers in a particular field of law. Able to assist foreign language speaking clients. Not a pro bono service.

LawLine

Phone: 528-5297 (V), 1(800) 382-5297 (V)
(Toll free)

Offers many informational tapes on various legal topics. Community service of the Hawaii State Bar Association and the Judiciary.

Learning Disabilities Association of Hawaii

200 North Vineyard Boulevard, Room 310
Honolulu, HI 96817
Phone: 536-9684 (V); 537-6780 (Fax)
1(800) 533-9684 (V) (Toll free)

Provides advocacy services for adults with learning disabilities and parents of children with learning disabilities who require assistance in obtaining appropriate education and related services. Also conducts educational workshops.

Legal Aid Society of Hawaii

924 Bethel Street
Honolulu, HI 96813
Phone: 536-4302 (V); 527-8088 (Fax)

Provides legal services to low income people in four major areas: family law, housing law, public benefits law, and consumer law.

Mediation Center of the Pacific, Inc.

(formerly Neighborhood Justice Center)
680 Iwilei Road, Suite 530
Honolulu, HI 96817
Phone: 521-6767 (V); 538-1454 (Fax)
E-mail: mcp@pixi.com
Web site: www.mediatehawaii.org

Provides quality dispute resolution services that are affordable and accessible. Offers mediation for a broad arena of issues including ADA issues, conflicts between school professionals and parents of children with special needs, business and workplace disputes, including civil rights issues, domestic and family disputes, and juvenile restitution and more.

Sex Abuse Treatment Center

55 Merchant Street, 22nd Floor
Honolulu, HI 96813
Phone: 535-7600 (V), 535-7627 (TTY)
524-7273 (24-hour hotline)
535-7630 (Fax)

Provides free and confidential 24-hour care and assistance to people who have been sexually assaulted. Also provides counseling, education and training services.

Spouse Abuse Hotline

200 North Vineyard Boulevard
Honolulu, HI 96817
Phone: 841-0822 (V)

Provides a safe haven for battered women who are in danger. Women using the shelter must be self-sufficient while at the shelter. Minimal fee charged for expenses incurred.

Volunteer Legal Services Hawaii

545 Queen Street, Suite 100
Honolulu, HI 96813
Phone: 528-7046 (V); 524-2147 (Fax)

Provides pro bono legal services in Hawaii to help people who are indigent, the working poor, and people in the gap group meet their needs for legal assistance.

COUNTY OF HAWAII

Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs**Office of Consumer Protection**

345 Kekuanaoa Street, Room 12
Hilo, HI 96720
Phone: 933-0910 (V); 933-8845 (Fax)

Provides information, referral and advocacy for consumers.

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations
Disability Compensation Division
75 Aupuni Street, Room 108
Hilo, HI 96720
Phone: 974-6464 (V); 974-6460 (Fax)

Adjudicates claims by workers injured on the job for medical, vocational rehabilitation and indemnity benefits under the workers compensation law.

County of Hawaii
Office of the Prosecuting Attorney
Victim/Witness Assistance Unit
34 Rainbow Drive
Hilo, HI 96720
Phone: 934-3306 (V); 934-3517 (Fax)

Provides advocacy, information and support services for victims and witnesses of crimes. Informs victims and/or surviving family members of violent crimes of their rights under the law.

County of Hawaii
Office of the Prosecuting Attorney
Victim/Witness Assistance Unit
P.O. Box 748
Kealahou, HI 96750
Phone: 322-2552 (V); 322-6584 (Fax)

(see description above)

Child and Family Service
P.O. Box 1808
Kealahou, HI 96750
Phone: 323-2664 (V); 323-2999 (Fax)

Provides an array of services including advocacy, education, counseling and self-help services for individuals, couples, and families.

Child and Family Service
460 Kilauea Avenue, Suite 103
Hilo, HI 96720
Phone: 935-2188 (V); 961-2073 (Fax)

Provides an array of services including advocacy, education, counseling and self-help services for individuals, couples, and families.

Children's Justice Center
1290 Kinoole Street
Hilo, HI 96720
Phone: 933-0965 (V); 933-0968 (Fax)

Provides centralized, non-threatening services for children and families of abuse and neglect. Also coordinates efforts of the legal system and social agencies in the best interest of the child.

Children's Justice Center
77-6403 Nalani Street
Kailua-Kona, HI 96740
Phone: 327-4985 (V); 327-4988 (Fax)

(see description above)

Disability Rights Hawaii
P.O. Box 5575
Hilo, HI 96720
Phone: 961-5601 (V)

Provides advocacy for people with disabilities, including accessibility and civil rights issues. Meets monthly. Call for more information.

**Hawaii Disability Rights Center (HDRC)
West Hawaii Office**

P.O. Box 1509
Kailua-Kona, HI 96745
Phone: 344-0630 (V/TTY)
334-0629 (Fax)
1(888) 273-1673 (Toll free)
E-mail: pahi@pixi.com
Web site: www.pixi.com/~pahi

Promotes and advocates for human, civil, and legal rights of persons with disabilities. Individual case advocates and attorneys assigned as needed.

**Hawaii Disability Rights Center (HDRC)
East Hawaii Office**

P.O. Box 1893
Honokaa, HI 96727
Phone: 775-1707 (V)
775-9598 (Fax)
1(800) 755-7049 (Toll free)
E-mail: pahi@pixi.com
Web site: www.pixi.com/~pahi

Promotes and advocates for human, civil, and legal rights of persons with disabilities. Individual case advocates and attorneys assigned as needed.

Legal Aid Society of Hawaii (LASH)

305 Wailuku Drive
Hilo, HI 96720
Phone: 961-2851 (V); 969-3983 (Fax)

Provides qualified Hawaii residents with legal assistance. Also provides specialized advocacy and legal help to persons who are elderly.

Legal Aid Society of Hawaii (LASH)

75-5656 Kuakini Highway, Suite 203
Kailua-Kona, HI 96740
Phone: 329-8331 (V); 334-9650 (Fax)

Provides qualified Hawaii residents with legal assistance. Also provides specialized advocacy and legal help to persons who are elderly.

COUNTY OF KAUAI

**Department of Health
Community Services for the
Developmentally Disabled Branch**

3040 Umi Street
Lihue, HI 96766
Phone: 241-3406 (V/TTY); 241-3480 (Fax)

Provides diverse client and advocacy services for persons with developmental disabilities.

**Department of Health
Kauai Developmental Disabilities
Committee**

3060 Eiwa Street, Room 207
Lihue, HI 96766
Phone: 274-3484 (V); 274-3485 (Fax)

Serves as a systems advocate on Kauai for the full inclusion in the community of people with developmental disabilities.

**Department of Human Services
Social Services Division
Adult & Community Care Services Branch**
4370 Kukui Grove Street, Room 205
Lihue, HI 96766
Phone: 241-3337 (V); 241-3476 (Fax)

Provides protective services to functionally dependent adults 18 years or older. Includes placement into care homes and/or counseling to adults and their families.

**Department of Human Services
Social Services Division
CWS Section
CWS Intake Assessment**
3060 Eiwa Street, Room 102
Lihue, HI 96766
Phone: 274-3320 (V); 274-3326 (Fax)

Provides protective services for children under 18 years of age who are suspected of being abused or neglected. Services may include foster home placement or intensive services to maintain the child at home.

**Department of Budget and Finance
Office of the Public Defender**
3060 Eiwa Street, Room 206
Lihue, HI 96766
Phone: 274-3418 (V); 274-3422 (Fax)

Provides free legal services related to criminal offenses, and involuntary mental commitments.

**County of Kauai
Agency on Elderly Affairs**
4444 Rice Street, Room 105
Lihue, HI 96766
Phone: 241-6400 (V); 241-6409 (Fax)

Plans, supports, and advocates for programs to promote the well being of Kauai's older adults and to address and respond to the priority needs of all seniors.

**County of Kauai
Agency on Elderly Affairs
Senior's Law Program, Inc**
4444 Rice Street, Room 105
Lihue, HI 96766
Phone: 241-6400 (V), 241-6424 (T)
241-6409 (Fax)

Provides legal education, counseling and referral in Medicaid, Medicare, landlord-tenant, creditor, family law and other legal matters. Limited document preparation.

**County of Kauai
Office of the Prosecuting Attorney**
Victim/Witness Program
4193 Hardy Street
Lihue, HI 96766
Phone: 241-6477 (V); 241-6466 (Fax)

Assists victims/witnesses of crime by providing crisis counseling and follow-up services, court-related transportation, assisting with victim impact statements and restitution, and assisting with the Criminal Compensation Commission.

Alu Like, Inc.
Kauai Island Center
3100 Kuhio Highway, Suite C-6 & C-7
Lihue, HI 96766
Phone: 245-8545 (V); 245-1720 (Fax)

Offers advocacy, information and referral services to persons of Hawaiian ancestry, including persons with disabilities and elderly persons.

Hawaii Disability Rights Center (HDRC)

P.O. Box 1581

Lihue, HI 96766-5581

Phone: 246-2576 (V)

246-0546 (Fax)

1(888) 807-4446 (Toll free)

E-mail: pahi@pixi.com

Web site: www.pixi.com/~pahi

Promotes and advocates for the human, civil, and legal rights of people with disabilities. Individual case advocates assigned as needed.

Kauai Economic Opportunity

2804 Wehe Road

P.O. Box 1027

Lihue, HI 96766

Phone: 245-4077 (V); 245-7476 (Fax)

Provides free mediation services for various types of disputes (e.g., domestic, housing) to avoid court action.

Legal Aid Society of Hawaii (LASH)

3-3359 Kuhio Highway

Lihue, HI 96766-1061

Phone: 245-4728 (V); 246-8824 (Fax)

Provides qualified Hawaii residents with free legal assistance. Affordable Legal Services Project provides legal assistance to the “gap group” at affordable rates. Must meet income/financial requirements.

Seniors Law Program

4268 Rice Street, Suite K

Lihue, HI 96766

Phone: 246-8868 (V); 246-6355 (Fax)

Provides education, training and limited representation to seniors in the community. Offers free legal service to persons over 60 years, based on need.

COUNTY OF MAUI

**Department of the Prosecuting Attorney
Victim/Witness Assistance Division**

150 South High Street

Wailuku, HI 96793

Phone: 270-7695 (V); 270-6188 (Fax)

Provides orientation to the criminal justice system, case information, crisis counseling and advocacy for victims/witnesses and surviving family members of violent crimes.

Hawaii Disability Rights Center (HDRC)

P.O. Box 487

Kula, HI 96790

Phone: 876-0529 (V)

876-1489 (Fax)

1(877) 712-7575 (Toll free)

E-mail: pahi@pixi.com

Web site: www.pixi.com/~pahi

Promotes and advocates for the human, civil, and legal rights of people with disabilities. Provides individual case advocates as needed. Operates the PAAT Program which provides advocacy and legal assistance to people with disabilities who have been denied assistive devices and services. Maui office also provides advocacy services for the islands of Molokai and Lanai.

Legal Aid Society of Hawaii (LASH)

2287 Main Street

Wailuku, HI 96793

Phone: 244-3731 (V); 244-5856 (Fax)

Provides qualified Hawaii residents with free legal assistance, based on need. Must meet qualified income/financial requirements. Assists senior citizens age 60 and older through the Maui County Office on Aging.

Legal Aid Society of Hawaii (LASH)
730 Lanai Avenue, Room 129
P.O. Box 630315
Lanai City, HI 96763
Phone: 565-6089 (V); 565-6089 (Fax)

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Legal Aid Society of Hawaii (LASH)
P.O. Box 427
Kaunakakai, HI 96748
Phone: 553-3251 (V); 553-5809 (Fax)

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Mediation Center of Molokai
P.O. Box 1708
Kaunakakai, HI 96748
Phone: 553-3844 (V); 553-8014 (Fax)
E-mail: claud@aloha.net

Provides a simple step-by-step process for dealing with and settling disputes without violence or litigation. Free community service.

Mediation Services of Maui, Inc.
Cameron Center
95 Mahalani Street
Wailuku, HI 96793
Phone: 244-5744 (V); 249-0905 (Fax)
E-mail: msm@mauigateway.com
Website: www.mauigateway.com/~msm

Provides trained mediators to assist people wanting to resolve conflict. Fee charged, but may be waived in cases of financial need. Maui office also serves the island of Lanai.

Mental Health Association in Maui County
Cameron Center
95 Mahalani Street
Wailuku, HI 96793
Phone: 242-6461 (V); 242-1857 (Fax)

Provides advocacy regarding mental health issues through coalitions and public education.